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MEMORANDUM FOR PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS

SUBJECT: Request for Network Message Address

The Network Message Service has been in use in ARPA now for a month or so and it has proven so useful, even within the same office, that my messages usually number 10 per day. All the office staff, Steve Lukasik, and many other ARPA projects are now using it daily. The Principal Investigators may find this message service a useful and rapid way of communicating with the ARPA office.

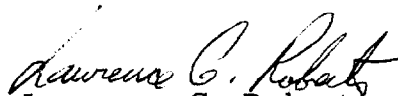
All messages to the office should be sent to the correct person: ROBERTS, BLUE, CROCKER, DOLAN, KAHN or PERRY at either USC-ISI or BBN-TENEX. Keep the messages brief and to the point and we will be able to respond within a day as opposed to the current week or so telephone call backlog and the month of mail.

Conversely, I intend to use the messages for many rapid response items and expect similar response back. To institute some network accounting capability, many interactions will be necessary, and to keep our schedule, a message service with Principal Investigators is needed now.

In addition, I expect to use the network message facilities on a regular basis to disseminate information of general interest. I will compose a message on-line and then send it to the PI distribution list, using the FTP mail servers. The actual method of generating the messages may change and evolve with time, but the way you receive them should be stable. I expect each of you to check regularly (daily, to my way of thinking) for receipt of such messages.

Please indicate by returning this letter to Mike Kudlick at SRI, Menlo Park, California or by sending a message to KUDLICK at SRI-ARC what identification and address you wish to use. The data is needed by March 23; please respond promptly, even if on an interim basis. You may change your designated receiving address later by notifying the NIC as custodians of the PI distribution list. The information provided will be edited into the PI distribution list, filed, and used by me for sending messages.

I have designated USC-ISI and BBN-TENEX as service sites to provide message delivery host services for those PI's without facilities or whose facilities cannot be used for FTP message receipt. Those of you who choose to use these services will receive a packet of instructions on how to log-in and get your mail.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lawrence G. Roberts".

Lawrence G. Roberts

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